DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, California 95814

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ALL COUNTY LETTER NO. 02-44

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL WELFARE TO WORK COORDINATORS
ALL CalWORKS PROGRAM SPECIALIST

REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL
[] State Law Change
[] Federal Law or Regulation
Change
[] Court Order
[] Clarification Requested by
One or More Counties
[X] Initiated by CDSS

SUBJECT: PROVIDING CALIFORNIA WORK OPPORTUNITY AND

RESPONSIBILITY TO KIDS (CalWORKs) WELFARE-TO-WORK (WTW) SERVICES TO RECIPIENTS WHO HAVE REACHED THE TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE TO NEEDY FAMILIES (TANF) TIME

LIMIT

REFERENCE: ALL COUNTY LETTERS (ACLs) NO. 01-66 and 01-78, CFL

NO. 2001/02-31

This letter will provide clarification to counties on the provision of CalWORKs WTW services to recipients who have reached the TANF 60-month time limit, but not the CalWORKs 60-month time limit. Refer to ACLs No. 01-66 and 01-78 for additional information about cases that have reached the TANF 60-month time limit.

Counties must continue to provide WTW services to CalWORKs recipients, as required by state law and regulations, until they have received their cumulative total of 60 months of aid under the CalWORKs program. The ACL's referenced above as well as County Fiscal Letter (CFL) No. 2001/02-31 provide claiming instructions to implement the necessary aid code changes to ensure that cash grant expenditures are funded appropriately for those individuals who have reached the TANF 60-month time limit. A CFL providing instructions for claiming WTW services to TANF timed-out individuals on the County Expense Claim will be issued in the near future.

Data collection and reporting on the TANF 60-month time limit went into effect for the reporting month of December 2001. The CalWORKs Cash Grant Caseload Movement Report (CA 237 CW) has been revised to track the number of cases within the All Families category that have reached their TANF 60-month time limit.

TANF timed-out adults are required to participate in CalWORKs WTW services, unless exempt. Data reporting for the WTW25 and WTW25A will not change. Counties will continue to report WTW services and activities for TANF timed-out participants on these forms as currently instructed until the individual reaches their CalWORKs 60-month time limit.

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WTW services for TANF timed-out families are funded with segregated state funds. Therefore, those cases should be included in the sample or review of cases for the federal participation rate and the WTW 30 report.

The Department will issue instructions via ACL and CFL in the future to provide counties with the instructions to implement the necessary changes for cases that reach the CalWORKs 60-month time limit.

If you have questions regarding this ACL, contact Alison Welbourn, Program Analyst at (916) 654-1423.

Sincerely,

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